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Teams work to
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after man's death

WEATHER Avalanche technicians are working on the slopes of Mount Mackie, in south central B.C., trying to reduce the threat of more avalanches in an area that has already claimed one life.

RCMP Cpl. Dave Johnson says search and rescue teams are on the mountain, outside Rossland in B.C.'s West Kootenay.

He says they are waiting for the all-clear before moving in to recover the body of the Alberta man killed Monday afternoon when he was caught in a slide. The victim, in his 30s, was with a group of three others who had snowmobiled into the area for a day of skiing.

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Hockey A tragic upset



Team Canada's Greg Nemisz is stopped by Team USA's Brian Lashoff during first-period gold-medal final hockey action at the World Junior Hockey Championship yesterday in Saskatoon, Sask. The U.S. beat Canada 6-5 in overtime. Story, page 9.

Nowhere to hide

Many local travellers resigned to new airport scans

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A winding lineup of U.S.-bound travellers inched along at the Edmonton International Airport yesterday afternoon, abuzz with debate after the announcement new security features will soon reveal air passengers' most private parts.

Federal transport officials confirmed scanners at security checkpoints at Canadian airports — including Edmonton's — will be installed by spring.

The decision follows an

apparent attempt to blow up a plane over Michigan on Christmas Day.

Since the bomb scare, new federally imposed security amendments have forced EIA staffers to ease frustrated travellers through extended wait times, longer lines and carry-on restrictions.

EIA spokeswoman Traci Bednard said most are resigned to the measures, as they are in place for passenger safety.

"It's inconvenient, but I'd

rather be secure," Arizona-bound flyer Pam McLean said.

Passengers are no longer allowed any carry-on items

except diaper bags, laptops and purses no bigger than a sheet of paper.

Roughly 40 US flights depart from the Edmonton International Airport daily. Airlines are now suggesting U.S. passengers arrive at least three hours prior to flights, Bednard said.

Travellers who spoke with Metro yesterday were prepared for and accepting of new procedures, but held varying opinions on soon-to-come scanners, which will reveal 3-D outlines of the naked body.

"That's just not right. I would feel uncomfortable about (scanners)," Nevada-

bound Edmontonian Leigh Holts said. "I don't know if they'll impact my travel decisions, but they'll definitely make me think more."

The scanners will be used only on those selected for additional screening, though uncomfortable passengers can opt out for a traditional pat-down.

That's good news for flyer Sylvia Pirnak, who will choose a scan if offered the option. "I would rather (be scanned) than have someone I don't know touching me," she said. "They can look all they want, I have nothing to hide."

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Woman dead,
husband hurt
in devastating
house blaze

DEATH An elderly woman is dead and her husband is in critical condition after an early morning fire ripped through a Capilano-area home yesterday.

Desperate cries for help from the burning bungalow at 106 Avenue and 57 Street prompted a neighbour to call 911 shortly after 1 a.m.

The blaze was battled by 17 units, and took just under two hours to control, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services spokesman Tim Wilson said. Though the cause of the fire has not yet been determined, investigators say it began in a bedroom on the northeast side of the basement.

Damages are estimated at \$425,000. Though firefighters attempted to protect homes on either side, neighbouring buildings sustained \$20,000 in damages. The home was completely destroyed in the blaze, Wilson said.

The man was found outside the home, and the woman was found dead inside. Both the victim and survivor are in their 80s.

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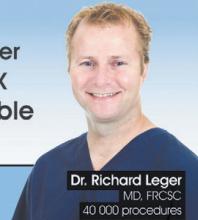
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Parks plan causes concern

Conservationists fear more visitors will hurt ecosystems

Conservationists are worried a push by the federal government to attract more city slickers to Rocky Mountain national parks will hurt the wildlife and fragile ecosystems the parks were created to protect.

Parks Canada released management plans last fall that propose non-traditional activities to lure more visitors. Some of the ideas include a new gondola in Banff, dog-sled rides in Jasper, a teepee campground in Waterton and more playgrounds for children.

Attendance down

Attendance numbers at national parks are down across the country compared with peak rates in the 1980s and 1990s. Parks Canada figures show an overall attendance drop of nine per cent between 2007 and 2009.

But there are few details on how the parks would make sure that extra visitors wouldn't lead to more deaths of wild animals or the destruction of im-

portant habitat, said Nigel Douglas of the Alberta Wilderness Association.

"The draft plan proposes increasing visitor numbers without any apparent attempt to emphasize principles that protect the highly valued ecosystems within a national park that must have priority over all other activities," Douglas said.

"It reads like a plan for a holiday resort, not a national park."

The mountain parks include Banff, Jasper, Kootenay, Yoho, Glacier, Mount Revelstoke and Waterton.

They are so renowned for their wildlife and natural beauty that they have been declared a United Nations World Heritage Site.

The tone of the proposed management plans, which will govern the way the parks are run for the next 10 to 15 years, is a marked departure from the wording of the 2001 Canada National Parks Act, Douglas said.

The act states that maintaining and restoring natural resources in the parks should be the federal government's priority.

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Footage of the suspect.

Suspect sought in transit sex assault

CRIME Members of the Edmonton Police Service Child Protection Section have released ETS security surveillance images in the hopes of identifying a male suspect in connection with a sexual assault.

At 10:18 a.m. on Jan. 1, police received a call from Edmonton Transit Services. They reported a lone 12-year-old girl got onto an ETS bus No. 8 near 59 Street and 118 Avenue.

Officials said the girl was approached by an adult male passenger, who began speaking with her before allegedly reaching out and touching her inappropriately several times.

Police learned the man first got on the bus at 9:15 a.m. at 86 Street and 61 Avenue.

The man immediately got off the bus after being confronted by the driver about his behaviour towards the young girl. He was last seen walking along 118 Avenue, near 47 Street. Officers were called to the area, but could not locate him.

The suspect is described as a dark-skinned male in his 20s, approximately five-foot-seven and 130 pounds, with a thin build. He was clean shaven and wearing a white ski jacket with grey patches, with a white hoodie underneath. He was also wearing blue jeans and a grey tuque.

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Delegates vetted for Stelmach leadership vote: Ex-Tories



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POLITICS Two Tory turncoats are questioning the support that Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach got from his Conservative party members last fall in a mandatory leadership review vote.

Heather Forsyth and Rob Anderson, who joined the rival Wildrose Alliance this week, say government members were told to screen delegates who attended the party's annual general meeting in Red Deer in November.

"We were told in caucus that we were to vet every single person that was to go to the AGM," Anderson said yesterday.

"And we were told that if they were not the premier's supporters, then we were to find a way to make sure that they didn't get in."

"Many of us ignored that, but a lot didn't, and

that was one of the many straws to me that said, 'You know what, this is a little Third World.'

Stelmach ended up getting 77 per cent support from delegates at the meeting.

Officials in his office refused to comment on the allegations yesterday.

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No criminal record for Tillman

Saskatchewan Roughriders general manager Eric Tillman, left, will not have a criminal record after pleading guilty to sexually assaulting a teenage girl. Regina provincial court Judge Murray Hinds yesterday granted Tillman an absolute discharge a day after the member of the CFL team's executive entered his guilty plea. The sentence means Tillman won't have a criminal record and will have no further obligations to the court, although his conviction stands. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Focus on economy: Harper

PM says Canadians worried about jobs, not Afghanistan

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says Canadians aren't really concerned about allegations that the government engaged in a coverup over the abuse of Afghan detainees.

"I think polls have been pretty clear that that's not on the top of the radar of most Canadians," Harper said in an interview with CBC-TV correspondent Peter Mansbridge.

The government had been on the defensive late last year over allegations that it tried to cover up information that Afghan authorities were abusing Afghan detainees after they were handed over by Canadian soldiers. And opposition MPs say Harper decided to suspend Parliament until March to shut down a House of Commons committee probing

the detainee controversy. But Harper said Canadians are more interested in the recession battering the country. "What's on the radar is the economy."

The prime minister said his government wants to focus on economic conditions when Parliament re-opens on March 3 with a speech from the throne and a budget the next day.

But there's no Harper doubt the opposition parties will return to the Afghan detainee issue in March, he said. "They've been on that subject for three or four years now. I'm sure they'll continue on it."

In his first public comments on his decision to

close down Parliament for the second time in a little over a year, Harper insisted it was a "routine constitutional matter" if the government isn't threatened with defeat by other parties in the Commons.

"We want to take some time to recalibrate the government's agenda" on the economy and other policies, the prime minister said. He didn't name the other priority issues, but Conservatives have said law-and-order legislation will feature prominently in the next session.

He also said the government will quickly fill vacancies in the Senate to make it harder for Liberal

senators to make changes to Conservative legislation approved in the Commons.

On the question of re-aligning airline security in the wake of the latest terrorist scare in the United States, Harper said security measures in Canada will have to become tighter.

"We don't have to take identical measures (as the U.S.), but we certainly have to undertake measures that would prevent any similar kind of threat in Canada."

Ottawa will examine the 14-country terrorist watch list announced by the U.S. in recent days to see if Canada should adopt this approach. But "we may arrive at different conclusions," Harper said.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



B.C. mother fends off cougar attack

WILD A B.C. mother who fended off a cougar attacking her seven-year-old son says her boy is recovering well but doesn't want anyone discussing the ordeal in front of him.

Mary Metzler said her son, David Metzler Jr., needed 22 stitches to close a gash on his head after the cougar pounced on him. Metzler's son was the second child in the province to be attacked by a cougar in less than a week.

She said her boy also has puncture wounds on his back.

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Scanners coming to Canadian airports

"We've got to stay ahead of terrorist elements."

John Baird to blow up a jetliner over Michigan by igniting explosives sewn into his underwear.

"We must remain vigilant," Baird said.

The United States has already demanded tighter screening of passengers from 14 countries, including Nigeria. Canada has banned carry-on bags for U.S.-bound air passengers.

Britain also wants to de-

ploy the scanners at its airports, but the government has run into opposition over privacy concerns. Canada's privacy commissioner doesn't share those worries.

Baird and Rob Merrifield, junior transport minister, said the scanners will only be used for passengers singled out for secondary screening. And people who don't want to go through the machines can opt to be frisked instead.

The scanners will first be installed in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa

and Halifax and will all be in place by spring.

The system, tested in British Columbia at the Kelowna airport, enables a screening officer to see whether someone is carrying explosives or other dangerous items.

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Lawsuit filed against N.S. diocese

SEXUAL ASSAULT A Halifax woman has filed a lawsuit against a Roman Catholic diocese in Nova Scotia, alleging that she endured nearly a decade of sexual assaults by a priest who took her in as a little girl and forced her to call him uncle.

Linda Deschamp claims in the suit filed in the province's Supreme Court that the cycle of abuse began after Rev. Raoul Deveau offered her a job cleaning the rectory in the small community of Shelburne when she was 11 years old.

Deschamp alleges in the statement of claim that when she went to the rectory she was repeatedly sexually assaulted by the priest, who died in the early 1980s. John McKiggan, Deschamp's lawyer, said yesterday that the now middle-aged woman then moved in with the priest to help her impoverished, devout parents and was instructed to call him uncle.

The suit names the diocese of Yarmouth and Halifax Archbishop Anthony Mancini, who oversees the diocese, as defendants.

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The Obama administration opposes closing shipping locks near Chicago to prevent Asian carp from invading the Great Lakes. The voracious fish have been migrating up the Mississippi and Illinois rivers toward the Great Lakes for decades. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World



Group fears scanners will exploit kids

Britain's government wants to quickly deploy full body scanners at U.K. airports to fight an expanded terrorist threat, but privacy concerns — and fears that children may be exploited — seem likely to slow the plan. Privacy campaigners and children's rights groups say the technology, now being tested at Manchester Airport, violates British and European law by producing sexually explicit images of children. They say the machines cannot be allowed because they can clearly show a child's genitalia.

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'Screw-up that could have been disastrous': Obama

U.S. President Barack Obama asserted yesterday the government had enough information to foil the attempted bombing on a Christmas Day airline flight, but intelligence agencies "failed to connect those dots" and left nearly 300 passengers and crew in peril.

Obama called that unacceptable. "I will not tolerate it," he said.

The accused attacker, 23-year-old Nigerian Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, has claimed ties to al-Qaida. Witnesses said he ignited an explosive mixture, but it failed to do serious damage to the Northwest jetlin-



"We have to do better, and we will do better. And we will do it quickly."

U.S. President Barack Obama on the failure to prevent attempted bombing

er or its passengers, and he was subdued by other passengers and airline crew members on the Detroit-bound Northwest Airlines flight.

According to a White House statement released later, Obama told his gathering of officials: "This was a screw-up that could have been disastrous. We dodged a bullet, but just barely. It was averted by brave individuals, not because the system worked, and that is not acceptable."

But while he expressed clear displeasure with the U.S. failure to prevent the suspect from boarding a

U.S.-bound flight, Obama did not announce any firings or job reassessments.

Obama also said he was suspending the transfer of Guantanamo detainees to Yemen. The Christmas attack has raised concerns about Yemen, because the Nigerian man has claimed to have been acting on instructions from al-Qaida operatives in that country.

Nearly half of the 198 terror suspect detainees held at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba are from Yemen. But Obama reiterated his vow to eventually close the camp.

"Make no mistake, we will close Guantanamo prison," Obama said. The camp, he said, "was an explicit rationale for the formation of al-Qaida" operating in Yemen.

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London Taking stock



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Mammal keeper Lucy Smith counts coatimundi during the annual stocktaking at London Zoo yesterday. More than 750 different species are tallied up in the count.

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Photo captures space ... as a toddler

SPACE NASA's Hubble Space Telescope has captured the earliest image yet of the universe — just 600 million years after the Big Bang, when the universe was just a toddler.

Scientists released the photo yesterday at a meeting of the American Astronomical Society. It is the most complete picture of the early universe so far, showing galaxies with stars that are already hundreds of millions of years old, along with the unmistakable primordial signs of the first cluster of stars.

These young galaxies haven't yet formed their familiar spiral or elliptical shapes and are much smaller and quite blue in colour. That's mostly because at this stage, they don't contain many heavy metals,

New telescope

- As far back as Hubble can see, it still does not see the first galaxies. For that, NASA will have to rely on a new observatory, the \$4.5-billion US James Webb telescope, which is set to launch in about four years.

said Garth Illingworth, a University of California, Santa Cruz, astronomy professor who was among those releasing the photo.

"We're seeing very small galaxies that are seeds of the great galaxies today," Illingworth said in a news conference.

Until NASA's Hubble telescope was repaired and upgraded last year, the farthest back in time that astronomers could see was

about 900 million years after the Big Bang, Illingworth said. Hubble has been key in helping determine the age of the universe at about 13.7 billion years, ending a long scientific debate about a decade ago.

"We are on the way to the beginning," said astrophysicist Neil DeGrasse Tyson of the American Museum of Natural History. "Every step closer to the beginning tells you something you did not know before."

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News in brief

PHILIPPINES A member of a powerful political clan yesterday pleaded not guilty to murder charges in the Philippines' worst election massacre of 57 people, including journalists and members of a rival's family. Andal Ampatuan Jr., a town mayor in Maguindanao province where his family ruled unopposed for years, has been initially charged with 41 counts of murder in the Nov. 23 attack on an election caravan.

MEXICO Gunmen killed 13 people in a single day Monday in the violence-plagued Mexican border city of Ciudad Juarez, state prosecutors said. Two of the dead were police officers.

TERRORISM Yemen insisted yesterday it is capable of leading its own fight against al-Qaida, revealing friction with the United States in their growing alliance against the terror group.

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Book sheds light on bin Laden clan

IRAN With a book written by one of Osama bin Laden's sons, and with news of a daughter sheltering in the Saudi Embassy in Iran, some blanks are being filled in on the life of the terrorist's family. Two weeks ago, Omar bin Laden revealed that many of the children who had been with their father in Afghanistan escaped to Iran.

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Noticing a new Rose

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Here we go again. Alberta, which spawns right-wing parties like it sprouts oil wells, has given birth to another: The Wildrose Alliance Party.

If you're keeping score at home, that's three: Social Credit, Reform, and now this.

What is it about Alberta that fosters a live-free-or-die attitude among its citizens? Maybe it should be designated a distinct society, like Quebec or Newfoundland.

If you've never heard of Wildrose, don't feel bad. Until the day before yesterday, it had exactly one seat in the 83-seat Alberta legislature, while the Perpetual Conservatives, who have governed uninterrupted for 38 years, had 70.

Well, pardner, all that

changed when two Tory MLAs, fed up with the dank obscurity of the back bench, rode their 15 minutes of fame across the floor of the house, and the Wildrose vaulted over the NDP to become the third largest party in Alberta, even though it won't be two years old until Jan. 19.

So people are starting to take notice. There's even a chance Wildrose will increase its elected caucus to four as former Tory Guy Boutilier, cast into the ranks of the independents by a wrathful Premier Ed Stelmach last summer for daring to complain out loud, gleefully ponders casting his lot with Wildrose before the legislature

opens next month.

That means Wildrose would automatically enjoy full legislative privileges, unlike the socialists, who have a key to the washroom only because the Speaker has taken pity on them.

You're also forgiven if you think you've seen this movie before. Wildrose rose from the ashes of the Alberta Alliance, which itself rose from the ashes of the Reform Party, and down there somewhere, lurks the ghost of Bible Bill Aberhart, the father of Social Credit.

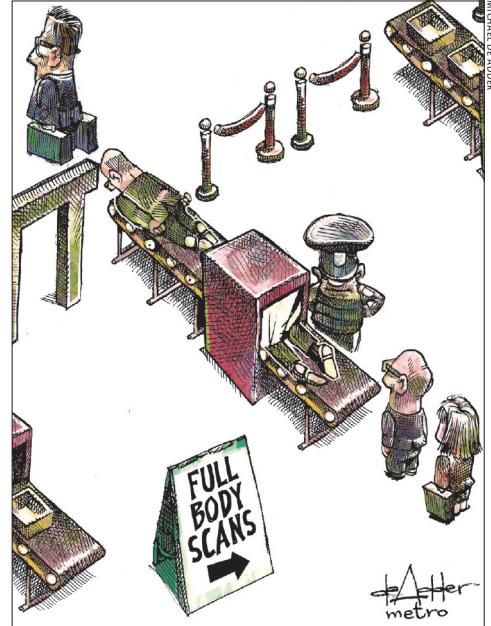
However, the new face of Social Credit/Reform/Aliance is the infinitely more attractive

Danielle Smith, who, while fiscally conservative, is media savvy and a celebrated alum of Calgary Inc.'s 40 Under 40. Unlike the previous generation of Reform/Alliance media beefheads, Smith understands modern media relations, and is not about to be trapped into the macho, homophobic, white supremacist self-destruction common to the clan.

Still, is there room for two parties on the right, even in Alberta, where there's apparently room for anything? Stephen Harper didn't think so, and he got to be prime minister by uniting the right, even if the earliest fusion, the Canadian Conservative Reform Alliance, came to CCRAP when you added the word "party," which, of course, everybody did.

But don't think Ed Stelmach isn't looking over his shoulder. There's a new gunslinger in Wildrose Country, and in a delightful 21st-century twist, she's a woman.

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Worth mentioning

Philippines is deadliest for journalists: Report

More than 130 media workers were killed in 2009 in their efforts to tell stories from dangerous conflict zones, making last year a particularly deadly one for journalists, a media safety watchdog said yesterday.

Michelle Lang

• The 2009 tally includes Calgary Herald reporter Michelle Lang, who was killed Dec. 30, just two weeks into her first stint covering Afghanistan for Canwest News Service. Lang and four Canadian soldiers were killed when their armoured vehicle struck a massive roadside bomb in Dand district, south of Kandahar city.

Mexico

ranked as the second most dangerous country with 11 deaths, followed by Somalia and Russia with nine slayings each and Pakistan with eight.

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Word on the street: What are your New Year's resolutions?

David Blanchard
Edmonton

A: I want to support more local venues by buying food at farmers' markets.



Esther McNairnay
Edmonton

A: I'm in a new city so I don't know many people, so do stuff alone: Baking, learn to do my hair and nails, and write home a lot.



John MacDonald
Toronto

A: Exercise more, everyone does that ... Try to do hard things, things that I wouldn't normally do ... take a dance class or learn a new language, something out of the ordinary.



Britt Gregg-Wallace
Ottawa

A: I didn't make one. I find that January is not a great time for resolutions. September is more my month, but I don't think I made one then either. I guess I'm not really a resolution person.



David Innanen
Vancouver

A: I plan on drinking less, cutting back to three or four drinks instead of six to eight, to protect my liver. I am worried about an early death in my 50s or 60s. I want to see 80 or 90.



Sheila Forbes
Dartmouth, N.S.

A: I don't make resolutions. Everyday live it to the best you can. Whether it's New Year's or not, it doesn't matter. If you live everyday like that for the rest of your life, then it works out better.



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Business

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In brief

AUTO INDUSTRY December proved to be a big month for many of Canada's leading car companies as Ford of Canada, Toyota Canada and Hyundai all reported banner months. Ford said its December sales soared more than 25 per cent compared with 2008, while Toyota claimed its best-ever sales for the month.

CURRENCY The Canadian dollar's renewed climb on global currency markets is raising concerns manufacturers won't be able to take full advantage of a production spike south of the border.

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A November plunge in U.S. contracts to buy homes has some fearing "double-dip" downturn. Scan this code for the full story.

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Google's smartphone hits the market in U.S.

Google Inc. began selling its own mobile phone yesterday, a much-anticipated move aimed at protecting its online advertising empire as people increasingly surf the web on handsets — but Canadians will have to wait until they can order one.

The Nexus One joins about 20 other mobile devices that already run on Android, the mobile operating system that Google introduced in 2007 to make it easier to connect to its services and other sites away from home.

Google designed the touch-screen phone in partnership with Taiwan's HTC Corp., which made the first Android-powered

Android

- Until now, Google has been content to let other companies design the devices relying on Android. And those devices thus far have largely been distributed like most other mobile phones, tethered to major wireless carriers that typically require buyers to lock into two-year contracts in return for discounts.

phone and will manufacture this one, too. Google will handle all sales online and has no plans to let consumers check out the Nexus One in retail stores.

The phone has been in the hands of Google em-

ployees for the past three weeks, triggering anticipation for the company's first attempt to peddle a consumer electronics device.

Given the hype, the Nexus One could be a bit of a letdown because it only takes a few steps beyond what's already possible on handheld devices. And the Nexus One's \$529 US price tag may lessen its appeal.

On Twitter, a Google Canada spokesperson offered the company's rationale for not launching the phone in Canada yet: "We're gradually launching in different places to get user feedback and ensure smooth ordering," the spokesperson said.

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Holliday staying in St. Louis

Matt Holliday is staying with the St. Louis Cardinals, agreeing yesterday to a \$120-million US, seven-year contract that is baseball's richest deal of the off-season. The Cardinals announced yesterday they had agreed with the power-hitting outfielder on a multi-year contract subject to a physical. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports



Big Unit retiring

Randy Johnson, left, is retiring after 22 major league seasons. The Big Unit, an overpowering left-hander who last June became the 24th pitcher to win 300 games, made the expected announcement yesterday. The five-time Cy Young Award winner owns a World Series ring and co-MVP honours.

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No gold for Canada

WORLD JUNIORS

U.S. 6 Canada 5 (OT)

The United States found the elusive ingredient to win the world junior men's hockey championship.

A smaller, younger, less experienced American team than in previous years, but one that had teamwork and trust in each other, edged Canada 6-5 in overtime yesterday to foil the host country's bid to win a record sixth straight title.

John Carlson scored the winner with a wrist shot at 4:21 of overtime after Canada scored two quick goals to tie the game. It was the second goal of the game for Carlson, on loan to the U.S. team by his



Alex Pietrangelo of Team Canada blocks a pass to Matt Donovan of Team USA in front of Jake Allen.

American Hockey League team in Hershey.

The U.S. got some revenge for a 5-4 shootout loss against Canada on

New Year's Eve that gave the hosts a bye to the semi-finals. The Americans also led that game by two goals before allowing Canada to

send it to overtime.

"It's unfortunate we didn't get to make history," Canadian forward Taylor Hall said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Doan's overtime goal gives Oilers third straight loss

NHL

Coyotes 5 Oilers 4 (OT)



NHL Shane Doan scored a pair of goals including the overtime winner as the Phoenix Coyotes defeated the struggling Edmonton Oilers 5-4 last night.

After Edmonton stormed back with two goals 49 seconds apart before the mid-mark of the third, tying it 4-4 and sending the game to extra time, Doan scored just 1:37 into overtime on the power play to win it.

Radim Vrbata, Martin Hanzal and Petr Prucha also scored for the Coyotes (26-14-4), who snapped a

five-game losing streak in games played in Edmonton.

Gilbert Brule, Patrick O'Sullivan, Denis Grebeshkov and Dustin Penner replied for the Oilers (16-22-5), who have lost three in a row and 10 of their last 11.

Both teams play next on Thursday as the Oilers play host to Columbus and the Coyotes travel to Vancouver.

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Vancouver Games

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Added security screening won't upset Vancouver airport's Olympic plan: Exec

Vancouver's airport has beefed up its security equipment and added extra staff to hand-search U.S.-bound passengers in the wake of tighter American security rules just weeks before an expected flood of Winter Olympic visitors.

Don Ehrenholz, operations vice-president for the airport, said in an interview that even before yesterday's announcement that the airport would likely be among the first to get full-body scanners, airport officials had been increasing security measures in the wake of the Christmas Day terrorism scare in Detroit.

"Certainly in the last two weeks we've made a lot of adjustments," said Ehrenholz.

"CATSA (Canadian Air Transport Security Authority) has provided that equipment and a lot of extra people to do the hand-searching component, which is the extra piece we've had to add to U.S.-bound passengers."

The move comes after an abortive attempt by an alleged Nigerian terrorist to blow up a Detroit-bound flight on Christmas Day us-

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ing explosives hidden in his underpants.

In the wake of the failed attack, Ottawa banned carry-on bags for U.S.-bound travellers, except for purses and laptop computers, and ordered mandatory pat-downs after passengers had gone through magnetic scanners.

Before the incident, Vancouver's airport had an elaborate plan in place to handle the increasing numbers of travellers into the city for the Games.

The plans include a temporary departure terminal to handle Olympic and Paralympic athletes, families, officials and others connected with the Games.

While the arrival of athletes, media and spectators for the Feb. 12 start of the Games is expected to be spread out, a major crush is expected when they wrap up.

Officials expect a record 39,000 passengers to leave on March 1, the day after the closing ceremonies.

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3. Shawn Tschirriter	AB, CA	593	231	340	571
6. Brian B	AB, CA	592	236	334	570
7. Cole Warren	NS, CA	584	206	359	565
7. Jonathon Gremperger	BC, CA	599	241	324	565
9. Feroz Mir	ON, CA	594	224	334	558
9. Steve Ferguson	ON, CA	593	235	323	558
11. Tom Collier	NS, CA	608	252	305	557
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Older and wiser, Bilodeau sets sights on gold medal

Moguls star learns from competing in Turin as a teenager

A baby-faced Alexandre Bilodeau was oozing with confidence as he stood atop the Olympic moguls run in Turin.

About a month before the 2006 Games, the teenager had become the youngest man ever to win a World Cup moguls event. He captured a second gold only days before the Olympics.

With only a handful of World Cup competitions under his belt, Bilodeau had quickly surged to No. 2 in the world and was a genuine Olympic medal contender.

It all happened so fast it almost seemed easy, he now admits.

Almost.

"My run was great, I had just one mistake, which cost me a lot," said Bilodeau, now 22, who missed his second jump in Turin and tumbled to an 11th-place finish.

"I will always remember the mistake and I won't do it again."

Today, the reigning World Cup champ isn't exactly grizzled, but he is wiser and even more accomplished than the self-described "young pup" version of himself that competed in Turin.

"Before 2006, I didn't know what the Olympics were all about," said Bilodeau, whose eyes widen when he starts talking about the Games.

"You've got four years to train for one thing."

The Rosemere, Que. native is now gunning for that next shot at an Olympic



Moguls World Cup champ Alexandre Bilodeau is gunning for another shot at an Olympic medal after falling short of the podium in Turin as a teenager.

medal.

Since his first Olympic appearance, Bilodeau's career has soared in a judged discipline that awards points to athletes based on their technique for navigating the moguls, their execution of

two aerial tricks and how fast they can tear down the hill.

Bilodeau finished the 2005-06 season ranked second in the world and was named FIS rookie of the year. The following season

he finished at No. 3, and in 2007-08 he was No. 4.

Last season, he exploded on the World Cup hills, winning five golds and three silvers in nine starts en route to the championship.

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Workology

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uCal cuts gifted programs

The University of Calgary's education faculty announced that due to the market downturn the university would not renew the contract of Centre for Gifted Education acting director, who was providing free counselling to parents and gifted elementary and high school students. The centre's summer camps and Saturday programs have also been discontinued. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

The face of techies

Working at School

Every Wednesday for the next month Metro's Workology section will be featuring a variety of careers that you may not have thought of: jobs in which you stay in college or university after graduating. There are many jobs that make post-secondary institutions hum, here's but one:

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for Metro Canada

On campuses across Canada, computer and audio-visual technicians are

often the go-to people for instant help and a lot of peace of mind.

For many of them, the full-time work provides a satisfying career supported by strong unions, reasonable work hours and a great work environment full of people who share a common bond.

Charlie Pollock, 31, did a psychology degree but always had a knack for fixing computers so when a full-time desktop support technician position opened up at the University of Calgary, he jumped at the chance to make it a job.

Now, four years later, he still loves the challenge of fixing computers and the thrill of the kill when he solves a tough case.

"It's always changing,

never the same. Every day you run into new problems — it's kind of Sherlock Holmes-ey, you have to do research and take some time to deal with the tougher problems correctly," Pollock said.

With a plethora of platforms, hardware and software abounding, Pollock says the greatest challenge is often just getting a grip of the specifics on individual situations for which sometimes even the Internet is stumped for answers.

Pollock says his work is less about fixing gadgets and more about people.

"Our job is largely customer service focused so you don't want to burn any bridges or make anyone feel stupid. A lot of times people just don't understand

Funny IT story

- One customer gaffe sticks out in computer technician Charlie Pollock's mind: His team once rushed a technician out to help a woman whose desktop icons had disappeared off her screen, only to discover she forgot to turn on the monitor.

stand the technology, and that's fine," Pollock said.

Spencer Cantley, 30, has been a full-time audio-visual technician at Dalhousie University in Halifax for more than six years and is tasked with loaning and maintaining hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of cameras, computers, lighting systems and projectors. For him it's necessary



Chances are you will interact with the information technology and audio/visual departments on a few occasions during your time at college or university.

to always stay in touch with what's new but he doesn't consider it a chore since it forces him to continually learn new things about the technology he loves.

"I'm just constantly learning and from an electronics standpoint, that's exciting," Cantley said.

Cantley says the best part of the job is meeting new people every new year.

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IT and manufacturing industries set to hire

According to a CareerBuilder survey of 2,700 hiring managers and human resource professionals across industries, hiring in the new year promises to affect a wide variety of job types — it just might take a little while to get going.

"Although 20 per cent of employers plan to add headcount in 2010, up from 14 per cent last year, they still remain cautious in regards to their hiring. We're headed in the right direction but should not expect to see actual job growth until at least Q2 2010," said Matt Ferguson, CEO of CareerBuilder.

Hiring By Industry

Comparing selected industries, hiring is expected to increase in information technology, manufacturing, financial services, professional and business services, and sales in the coming year. Thirty-two per cent of IT, 27 per cent of manufacturing, and 23 per cent of financial services employers plan to add full-time, permanent employees in 2010, followed by 22 per cent of employers in professional and business services and 21 per cent in sales. Health-



Many company will be hiring this year according to a survey.

care employers are also planning to expand staffs at 21 per cent followed by 18 per cent of transportation employers and 15 per cent of retail.

Hiring By Job Type

When asked which areas employers plan to hire for in 2010, one-third pointed

to technology followed by 28 per cent in customer service. Nearly one-quarter (23 per cent) plan to add sales people, 18 per cent will add research/development, 17 per cent in business development, 15 per cent in accounting/finance and 14 per cent in market-

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Dragons' Den

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Sometimes a little help goes a long way. In any facet of work or life, to be successful means you have to be humble enough to ask for help when you need it. And tonight's episode of Dragons' Den proves the Dragons are no different. For the first time ever, the Dragons invite three industry experts to weigh in on the pitches presented.

In their own careers leading up to Dragon status, the Den's panel of entrepreneurs have become experts in their own fields—but that doesn't mean they know everything about everything. And considering the incredibly wide range of business ideas that are pitched on the pro-



Calgary entrepreneurs Demetrius Lloyd and Daniel Diamond meet surprise guest Mike Holmes on tonight's Dragons' Den episode.

gram, some are bound to be in markets where the Dragons are less than 100-per-cent confident.

These money-savvy millionaires don't want to miss a fantastic opportunity, just because it lies outside their comfort zone. So bring on the expert ad-

visors.

Consulting an expert can benefit anyone. If you're trying to get your boss or a team member to buy into your idea, it can definitely pay off to do a bit of research. Have other companies used the strategy you're proposing? Is there

a famous quote from someone with proven experience that backs up what you're saying? It definitely adds to the credibility of your presentation if you can show you've done your homework.

You'll see tonight how an expert opinion can help, or

hinder, a presentation. Daniel Diamond and Demetrius Lloyd of Calgary brave the Den with a specialty tool they've invented. They know their product inside and out, but they need help turning their invention into a business. And they know the

wealthy Dragons can help them, if they can explain the opportunity properly.

Luckily home inspection guru Mike Holmes is there to help. As Arlene admits, "Thank goodness you're here, Mike, because he lost me at rebar."

Even the toughest of critics, Kevin O'Leary, appreciates an expert's help in the den. "We're basically trying to determine the risk of the market or product or service. And an expert's opinion is a great way of determining that risk."

But proving your point with a little backup won't necessarily get you a deal or drive home that sales presentation, especially when looking for capital, or CASH as the dragons fondly refer to it. An expert helps, but it's still up to you.

As Kevin O'Leary points out:

"In the end it's my own money and the only expert I trust is me."

Dianne Buckner is the host of Dragons' Den and the weekend anchor on the CBC News Network. Watch Dragons' Den at 8 p.m. tonight on CBC.

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Employees are often the authors of their own misfortunes at work.

Few take advantage of laws that are construed in their favour. Fewer will challenge their employer's decisions, however unjust. Most will just complain. But—if you have an inclination to fight back, here are some do's and don'ts:

Condonation: If you disagree with an employer's decision, such as not receiving a salary increase or promotion, you must immediately protest it and do so in writing. Failing to respond simply conveys to your employer that you agreed with its decision or at least that you did not care enough to complain. Otherwise, don't try to argue the bonus you say you were promised must now be paid. Similarly, many

good cases of harassment or constructive dismissal die on the vine because of a delay in mounting an appropriate response. If you want a court to believe that your job was rendered so intolerable that you had no option but to leave, then you should swiftly do just that.

Skeletons: Just about every employee has a skeleton in their closet. If yours is so bad you can't risk it being exposed, then do not challenge your employer's decision to dismiss you, however unfair. Some workplace skeletons, although not harmful to your case, will ultimately be harmful to your reputation.

Investigations: If you are being accused of some form of misconduct, do nothing further that suggests you are being untruthful. Often, the initial allegation will quietly go away but by trying to cover-up even a small transgression you will give the employer the very cause to fire you it was so desperately seeking. In one recent British Columbia case, the court found the employee would have

Pick your battles

In one recent case, the employee lost because he challenged his employer's efforts to restructure, although it was done to limit lost inventory. Do not expect your employer's sympathy when you challenge good faith decisions to cut costs.

been entitled to damages but for his dishonesty during an investigation into his alleged misconduct.

Contracts: Do not take the position that your contract applies in some circumstances but should be thrown out in others. Employees get caught when taking advantage of contractual promises, such as a golden parachute, but then breaching that same contract's limitations on working for a competitor or speaking with their clients following departure. Many lawsuits turn sideways when the conduct you complain of is similar to what you have done.

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Japan may set green standard

Japanese safety standards for hybrid and electric vehicles may become the global standard, with the UN World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations likely to adopt them when it meets in Geneva in March, according to the Green Car Congress. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

Metro Drive



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Yaris is sharp

The exchange at Toyota Canada began like any other — sign the paperwork, grab the keys, go out and find my test vehicle.

But when I went to press the key fob to flash the lights and identify the correct Yaris, I realized there was no fob and no buttons — just a plain old key. It was then I sensed trouble.

Parked in front of me was the 2010 Yaris three-door CE Hatchback, in all but its most basic trim.

No keyless entry, no power locks, no power windows and when I sat down to adjust the mirrors, found no power adjustments here either.

In fact, the only options were a four-speed automatic transmission that added \$1,000 to the base price of \$13,620, and air conditioning for another \$1,155.

Despite the challenges of running around locking and unlocking doors, rolling up windows (thankfully I didn't have the five-door) and fiddling with the side mirrors, I was impressed that Toyota included such a stripped-down model in its press fleet.

Sure you can order the Yaris Hatchback as a fully-loaded, five-door RS with the necessary power doo-dads, in-dash six-CD changer, aluminum alloys and more, but that brings the price to \$20,555 — more than many would expect to pay for an entry-level subcompact.

2010 Toyota Yaris CE 3-door Hatchback

Type: 3-door hatchback
Drive method: Front-engine, front-wheel-drive

Engine: DOHC 1.5 litre, 16-valve four cylinder (106 hp, 103 lb/ft of torque)

Fuel economy: Automatic: 7.0/5.7/6.4L/100km (city/hwy/combined)

Price: \$13,620 (base) plus \$1,000 for automatic and \$1,155 for air conditioning

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The 2010 Yaris CE three-door hatchback displays a punchy attitude in contrast to its thrifty base price and fuel economy.



Driving the base car, on the other hand, focuses one's mind more squarely on the driving experience, not the gadgets. My first impression was that the Yaris Hatch is a sharp little car. More handsome than its sibling four-door sedan, more chic than the Echo, which it replaced, and light years more stylish than the Tercel, which preceded all of these as Toyota's subcompact offering.

It's stubby nose, short front and rear overhangs, and protruding wheel arches give the Yaris Hatch a sporty, firmly-planted, four-square stance.

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Inside, the base unit is fairly spartan, with a simple hooded instrument panel.

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Yanks want to drive, talk, text

COMMUNICATIONS Some 72 per cent of U.S. drivers polled will not give up their cellphones while driving, even if it is against the law, according to a poll conducted by hands-free communications company Cellcontrol.

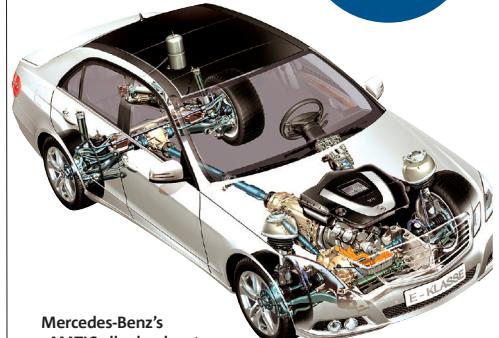
Of those surveyed, 88 per cent admitted to using a cell phone to text, e-mail, surf the Web or have a conversation while driving in the past 12 months. However, nearly 75 per

cent of the group agreed that driving while texting is equally as dangerous as driving while intoxicated.

More than 75 per cent said they would use technology to restrict the use of mobile devices while driving, if they received a discount on their automobile insurance premiums.

While cellphone use when driving spans all age groups, teenagers drew the most attention to the problem.

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Is that a sherpa in your pocket...?



On the road, nothing really beats a good tip from a local on where to get the best ribs, catch a jazz show, or how to score tickets at a popular venue. Guide books invariably promise to give tourists the local scoop and routinely deliver mixed results. But Pocket Sherpa, an iPhone app, could be your best travel companion. The application is tied to the localytics.com — which seeks to connect travellers with "local people who are proud of where they live and want to share their local knowledge." The app promises to connect users to more than 40,000 locals in 7,000-plus locations. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Travel

Party at Florida's pirate Mardi Gras

Tampa Bay's street festival attracted 350,000 eye-patched, peg-legged revellers in 2009

Dave Pagano started his life as a pirate a few years back wearing a white linen shirt with puffy sleeves and open neckline.

Then he bought a bandanna, a dreadlocked wig, a replica musket, a sword, a knife and, this year alone, \$500 US worth of beads.

Pagan is a Tampa pirate and, later this month, he will be in his buccaneer glory when the city's annual pirate festival, Gasparilla, kicks off. Gasparilla, which is more than a century old, attracted 350,000 people last year. It's known for its rowdy, Mardi Gras-style atmosphere — including bead-tossing by costumed revellers.

Pagan will be among them, wandering the crowds during three parades, handing out long strings of beads — some with rubber ducks attached. (The ducks also wear pirate hats).

"You cannot describe the fun you have doing it," said Pagano, a 50-something business consultant who, even on New Year's Eve, sat in a bar dressed in full pirate regalia.

Tampa and pirates go way back, long before Jack Sparrow or the Tampa Bay Buccaneers football team.

According to city lore, a Spanish pirate named Jose Gaspar terrorized the west coast of Florida in the 18th and 19th centuries. The swashbuckler's legend was unearthed in 1904, when some enterprising city leaders — having just returned from Mardi Gras in New Orleans — decided



Pirates hang off the Jose Gasparilla pirate ship as it makes its way along Seedon Channel during the 'invasion' of Tampa Bay.



Much like Mardi Gras, pirates toss beads to onlookers.

Tampa. But you don't need an elaborate costume to enjoy the Gasparilla fun. A pair of comfortable shoes and a little pre-party planning will do.

"The people who will enjoy Gasparilla the most will be the ones who plan ahead," said Darrell Steffany, the president of Event Fest, which produces the annual Seminole Hard Rock Gasparilla Pirate Fest.

The first event takes place Jan. 23, with the Children's Gasparilla Extravaganza.

This is an alcohol-free event, with bike rodeos, children in pint-sized pirate costumes and fireworks. Held in the same location as the adult-themed parade a week later, the children's parade is family friendly and free.

The true bacchanal begins Jan. 30, with a 10 a.m. Invasion Brunch at the Tampa Convention Center and then storms through the city.

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If you go ...

• The Festival begins Jan. 30 at the Seminole Hard Rock as the Gasparilla Pirate Fest parades through downtown Tampa starting at 11:30 a.m. That same day, a street festival with music, food and drinks is held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. in downtown Tampa. For more info: gasparillapiratefest.com.

that Tampa needed its own street festival.

The festival organizers adopted Gaspar as a patron saint. Early Gasparilla parades featured a krewe — high-society social club members in full pirate regalia — arriving on horse-



The Jose Gaspar tall ship is surrounded by several local yachts as the ships make their way down the channel.

back and "capturing" the city.

Later, krewes, which is also what Mardi Gras clubs are called, became more plentiful, the costumes

more elaborate. Led by that first initial group, Ye Mystic Krewe, the krewes arrived via boat, floating from Hillsborough Bay into the city's downtown to

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Pretend pirates cause trouble too, though less serious. Because of problems in residential areas near the parade and public drunkenness in past years (141 people were arrested during the 2009 fest), Tampa Police will have a larger presence this year and crack down on inappropriate behaviour.

seize the key to the city from the mayor, who always plays along.

With hundreds of thousands of people turning out to watch, it's easy to see why folks like Pagano tend to get a little pirate-obsessed all year round in

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Enjoy Vancouver's Olympics on the cheap

If you should come across an extra \$1,100 hiding in the cushions of your couch, prime seats for the opening ceremonies are surely one of the best ways to enjoy the 2010 Olympic Games.

It doesn't mean the Games are beyond your rather limited monetary reach. Tourism officials say there's plenty for the frugal traveller to do at the Winter Games this February.

There are dozens upon dozens of free events, including the Ozone at the Speed Skating Oval in Richmond, 24 hectares of food,

some really hot tickets ... but there's lots of things and ways to experience the Games that don't have to be really expensive, and sometimes that means not even necessarily spending all of your time and money watching sporting events," says Amber Sessions, spokeswoman for Tourism Vancouver.

And for a frugal first-hand experience of the

fireworks and fun. The Ozone will have live entertainment including Our Lady Peace, Hawksley Workman, and Bedouin Soundclash, not to mention Heineken House.

Heineken House comes courtesy of the Dutch and will provide the ambience for their national hospitality house, where medals will be handed out to athletes from the Netherlands.

Olympics, remember that not all sports are created equal. A mere \$25 to \$30 buys a ticket to many of the alpine events in Whistler and \$50 will get you into the cheap seats at the preliminary rounds of hockey.

There are definitely restrictions on who will even be allowed up to Whistler given the limited number of places to stay, but the resort town will have an impressive lineup of free concerts.

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There is plenty of cheap things to do around Vancouver.

Toronto hostels tops in North America

Hostel-goers throughout the world have rated three Toronto hostels — Clarence Castle, Canadiana Backpackers Inn, and All Days House as three of the top hostel destinations throughout North America. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Learn the ropes on Stoneham's slopes

Professional snowboarders will hold instructional clinics for riders up to age 15 at Stoneham Mountain Resort during the annual Snowboard Jamboree Festival.

The young riders will get tips on participating in competitions and be able

to apply their skills in contests the same day.

It's among events geared to amateurs — there will also be a snowboard camp for girls — during the Jan. 20-24 festival, which is staging the IG/FIS Snowboard World Cup.

Some of the world's top athletes will compete in

halfpipe, giant parallel slalom, snowboardcross and big air on the last stop of the snowboard world cup circuit before the Olympics.

The big air event will be held in downtown Quebec City at a venue below the ramps to Autoroute Dufferin-Montmorency. The

same site will be used for Stairsmasters, a street-riding contest for snowboarders.

Stoneham Mountain Resort is located 20 minutes north of Quebec City.

For more information on the clinics visit snowjambo.com.

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The festival kicks off Jan. 20 and runs to Jan 24.

Travel in brief

ART LOVERS The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art has opened in Charlotte, N.C. The museum describes itself as the only museum dedicated to the exhibition of mid-20th-century modern art in North America. The museum is named after the family of Andreas Bechtler, a Charlotte resident and native of Switzerland who inherited and assembled a collection of more than 1,400 works. The collection includes work by Alberto Giacometti, Joan Miró, Jean Tinguely, Max Ernst, Andy Warhol, Alexander Calder, Le Corbusier, Sol LeWitt, Edgar Degas, Nicolas de Staél, Barbara Hepworth and Picasso.

WEIRD AND WILD A Ripley's Believe It or Not! Odditorium has opened in the Plaza Acuario in Veracruz, Mexico. The 930-square-metre museum is an interactive exhibit of weird wonders, including a 2.4-metre horse made from chrome car bumpers, shrunken heads, matchstick art and freak animals. Mexico also has Ripley's attractions in Mexico City and Guadalajara. Ripley's has a total of 30 Believe It or Not! museums in 12 countries. The 31st location is set to open in late January in Surfers Paradise, Australia.

2 FOR 1 DEAL Due to popular demand, Trafalgar Tours has extended the 2-4-1 air deal for passengers who pay in full by Jan. 31. If you book an air-inclusive 2010 Trafalgar Summer Europe tour, their travelling companion booked on the same itinerary flies for free. The only charge to the companion will be taxes and fuel surcharges. Visit their website for more information. trafalgar.com/content.asp

ALASKA While most visitors come to Alaska in the summer, winter offers unique experiences: A chance to see the Northern Lights, dog-sledding and snowmobiling. The Anchorage Fur Rendezvous Festival, which started 75 years ago as a way to welcome miners and trappers to town, featuring a fur auction, blanket toss, snowshoe-softball tournament, outhouse races, ice bowling, the Miners and Trappers Ball and the sprint-distance Rondy World Championship Sled Dog Race, Feb. 26-March 7. furrondy.net.

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Yoko Ono is to release a book about her life with John Lennon. The 76-year-old widow of the late former Beatle has revealed she will put pen to paper over the next few years and write an autobiography about her eventful life with John. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Entertainment

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Roman Polanski

Judge sets hearing in Polanski case

PEOPLE A court spokesman says a Los Angeles judge has scheduled a hearing today in Roman Polanski's criminal case.

Superior Court spokesman Allan Parachini says Judge Peter Espinoza will convene a status conference this afternoon. It's the first time the 30-year-old sex case will be back in court since a state appeals court last month rejected Polanski's bid to have it dismissed.

Polanski is under house arrest at his Swiss chalet. Swiss authorities have not yet ruled on whether to extradite Polanski. The director fled the U.S. in 1978 on the eve of sentencing after pleading guilty to having unlawful sex with a minor.

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Growing up is hard to do

Authentic story drew Michael Cera to teen comedy *Youth In Revolt*

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada



In *Youth in Revolt*, Brampton, Ont., born actor Michael Cera plays an anachronistic Frank Sinatra fan who falls for the anachronistic Jean-Paul Belmondo loving girl who lives next door at the trailer park.

When circumstance steps in to keep them apart he (with the help of an imaginary friend named Francois Dillinger) changes his life to be with her.

Cera admits the idea of having one of his favourite books pared down from 500 pages to a 90 minute script made him nervous but he couldn't resist the opportunity to sign on to the project.

"I just love the book," he says. "It's very cinematic and I thought the humour of the book would work very well on screen. That was the thought behind the movie; to capture the humour on screen."

"You can't tell the whole story of the book because



Canadian actor Michael Cera stars in new movie *Youth In Revolt*.

it is so huge, but the book exists for that reason. The book is its own enjoyment."

His character, Nick Twisp, appealed to the actor because it had a ring of authenticity often missing

from teen comedies.

"I love the voice of the character," he said, "and it's nice when you're reading out of the movies. That's a hard thing to accomplish but it is special when it happens."

Youth in Revolt is in theatres this Friday

ing the book because you're reading his journal so you are really tapping right into his mind. It feels like you are feeling the thought process of the author. I connected with that.

"The character was real," he said. "C.D. Payne wrote it really personally. It felt like he wrote it in his own voice. He wasn't trying to write like a fourteen year old kid. He didn't add in any false naïveté or didn't try and sound less intelligent he was just writing and it was personal. I think that's why people connect to things; when they feel personal."

Cera hopes audiences will relate with *Youth in Revolt*. "I hope maybe people will feel inspired," he says.

"That would be the best case scenario.

That's the best feeling I have walking out of the movies. That's a

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Kevin Bacon recognized for his charitable efforts

Hollywood's awards season is just beginning, and Kevin Bacon has already won.

The 51-year-old actor, nominated for Screen Actors Guild and Golden Globe awards for his starring turn in the TV movie *Taking Chance*, will receive the Joel Siegel Award from the Broadcast Film Critics Association. The award recognizes an enter-

tainer's charitable efforts.

Bacon is being honoured for his website SixDegrees.org, which invites visitors to contribute to their favourite causes. Bacon said he was inspired by longtime philanthropist Paul Newman, who "took this simple idea and was able to translate it into millions and millions of dollars of good work."

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Freeman replaces Cronkite

Nearly six months after Walter Cronkite's death, his voice is leaving the CBS Evening News. His introduction of anchor Katie Couric was replaced this week by a voiceover featuring actor Morgan Freeman. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Vampires rule in Daybreakers' world

CHRIS ALEXANDER
For Metro Canada



In Richard Matheson's groundbreaking 1954 novella I Am Legend, a devastating plague ravages the planet, turning humanity into a race of shambling vampires, hell bent on drinking the blood of any survivors that have the misfortune of crossing their paths.

In the new horror/thriller Daybreakers, a similar set-up sees mankind falling prey to a vampiric disease. Except here, the ghouls become the master race: A cultured, mannered, sophisticated society of monsters who live by night.

The film is the latest offering from Australia's Spierig Brothers, the wild-

Daybreakers opens in theatres this Friday

eyed lads who previously gave us 2005's loopy zombie epic *Undead*.

But unlike that demented spoof, *Daybreakers* takes its subject considerably more seriously, fusing gore-caked thrills with social satire and intimate character study while delivering a vampire film that bends — but not breaks — the rules.

"We respect the vampire mythology," says Peter Spierig of his oft-exploited subject. "We didn't want to break too many of the rules, but by the same token we wanted to really do something different. We wanted to add the social commentary too, without being too heavy-handed about it or preachy. I think we found the right balance."

Daybreakers stars Ethan Hawke as Edward (not to

be confused with the *Twilight* vampire), an undead pharmacist experimenting on humans in order to find a cure for the living corpse condition that ails his kind. Unlike his callous contemporaries however, Edward cares about humans and, after he inadvertently saves a gang of hunted, mortal rebels, becomes embroiled in a plot to put a stake in the heart of this new, twilight world.

"We got lucky with our cast," says brother Michael of *Daybreakers*' solid stable of actors, which also include heavy hitters Sam Neil and Willem Dafoe.

"It was an incredible thrill to have them on board. In *Undead*, we had a virtually non-existent budget and it was wild this time having a stable of people working for you who were this talented, both in front of and behind the camera. And if all goes well with the movie's release, we might actually be able to make another one."



Ethan Hawke, left, and Willem Dafoe face a world of vampires in the new movie *Daybreakers*.

Seigfried and Roy won't be back

RETIRED

Illusionists Siegfried and Roy say they have retired for good. Siegfried Fischbacher says "There will not be a comeback." Siegfried's partner Roy Horn was mauled by a tiger in 2003 and is still battling the effects of the attack. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

In brief

PEOPLE'S CHOICE Queen Latifah will welcome Taylor Swift, Sacha Baron Cohen and Sandra Bullock to the People's Choice Awards this evening. Topping the nominees are vampire tales *Twilight* and *True Blood*.

PRODUCERS GUILD Sci-fi smashers *Avatar*, *Star Trek* and *District 9* are among nominees for top film honours from the Producers Guild of America. Winners will be announced at a Jan. 24 ceremony. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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critics' corner

Republic of Doyle

Gotta love working with Dad — just ask the Teutul boys of "American Chopper" fame. This new comedy-drama series follows the fortunes of Malachy and Jake Doyle (Sean McGinley, Allan Hawco), a father and son who work as private investigators in St. John's, Nfld. Dad's all business, Sonny's a bit of a rogue, but they get the job done. In the premiere, they try to help a friend accused of manslaughter who refuses to defend himself. 9 PM on CBXT



The 36th Annual People's Choice Awards

From the Nokia Theatre in Los Angeles, Queen Latifah hosts a ceremony honoring favorites in the fields of music, movies and TV based on the results of a viewers poll. Among the field of nominees, Anna Paquin ("True Blood"), Blake Lively ("Gossip Girl"), Jennifer Love Hewitt ("Ghost Whisperer"), Katherine Heigl ("Grey's Anatomy") and Mariska Hargitay ("Law & Order: Special Victims Unit") vie for favorite TV drama actress. 9 PM on CTV. 10 PM on KREM

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Ekaterina Ivanova, the 21-year-old former waitress who dated 62-year-old Rolling Stones guitarist Ronnie Wood for 18 months, is talking about the relationship. In an interview with British tabloid The Sun, Ivanova calls Wood an "evil goblin king." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Did a friend rob her?

BFFS NO MORE Sounds like Lindsay Lohan's new year has gotten off on the wrong foot, usmagazine.com reports.

While celebrating 2010 on the island of St. Barth's, the 23-year-old star discovered that she was ripped off by her longtime best friend and sidekick Patrick (Pootie) Aufdenkamp.

A friend close to Lohan tells usmagazine.com, "Patrick stole Lindsay's sketches for her new 6126 clothing line." WWD reported Dec. 30 that Lohan's 6126 leggings line would be expanded to become a full clothing collection.

tion for fall 2010; her role as artistic advisor for fashion house Emanuel Ungaro, despite a rocky start, is also ongoing.

Lohan tells usmagazine.com that Aufdenkamp has been her "best friend" since she was 16. He has frequently been photographed with the actress, and was present at many meetings related to her new fashion line.

"He is now running off trying to do his own line," a Lohan pal says.

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Ringing in the new year

A REMOTE CELEBRATION

Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart quietly welcomed 2010 together on an island off the south coast of England — a visit that made for an exciting evening for some young locals, fe-malefirst.co.uk reports.

Pattinson, 23, and Stewart, 19, were spotted by a

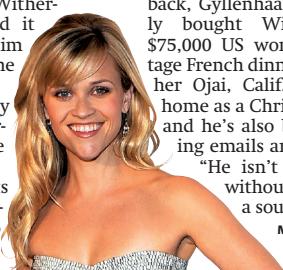
young fan on New Year's Eve in Ventnor, a seaside resort on the Isle of Wight, 80 miles south of Pattinson's family home in west London. The New Moon costars happily posed for photos with the fan outside a grocery store — before vanishing like, well, vampires.

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Winning back Witherspoon

SHE'S WORTH IT While Reese Witherspoon called it quits with him because she reportedly wasn't ready for marriage, Jake Gyllenhaal still wants her back, according to In Touch.



In an attempt to win her back, Gyllenhaal reportedly bought Witherspoon \$75,000 US worth of vintage French dinnerware for her Ojai, Calif., vacation home as a Christmas gift, and he's also been sending emails and flowers.

"He isn't giving up without a fight," a source says.

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Jolie kids inherit six-figures

NEW TRUST FUND Three of Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt's children were left a handsome six-figure sum by the actress' late mother, according to documents filed in Los Angeles Superior Court last week, usmagazine.com reports.

Actress Marcheline Bertrand — who died in 2007 after a cancer battle — gave Maddox, 8, Zahara,

6, and Shiloh, 3, each \$100,000 US in a new trust fund. The three cannot have access to the money until they turn 25.

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First experience

I HEART MY TEACHER Actor David Duchovny tells Germany's Tele 5 that he had his first erotic experience at age six, thanks to a crush he had on his first grade teacher. "I always ran around extra wildly, so that she had to catch and grab me," Duchovny says.



Martin's newest causes

HUMANITARIAN ON THE RISE Last month Ricky Martin took to his website to condemn international hate crimes and call for tolerance. Now the singer is taking to Twitter to drum up support for his next venture — donating blood, The Advocate reports.

The magazine reports the singer, who it notes has declined to talk in interviews about his personal life but has become increasingly vocal about his support for gay rights and causes, tweeted on Sunday: "i want to donate blood, have you ever?"

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Carey joins hubby at club

COPLES NIGHT OUT After performing at Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa on Saturday night, Mariah Carey kept the party going until the wee hours, joining husband Nick Cannon as he deejayed in club mur.mur, people.com reports.

"Security literally cleared a path for her to walk through," says a wit-

ness. "She was surrounded by handlers."

Carey spent her night singing along "to just about every song."

When Cannon's set wrapped around 2 a.m., Carey joined him in the deejay booth to close out the evening

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Winehouse dad discourages union

SECOND TIME'S A CHARM?

Amy Winehouse's reconciliation with ex-husband Blake Fielder-Civil seems to be going well, and her father isn't thrilled about it, according to Closer magazine. "I'd be devastated," he says of the possibility of the two getting remarried. "I'm worried about the situation and I'm going to discourage her in every way I can."



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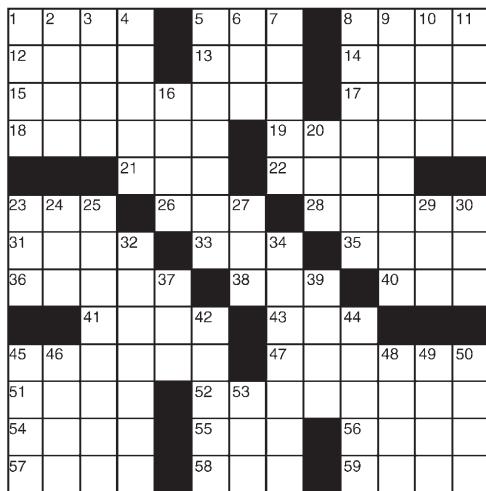
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WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.

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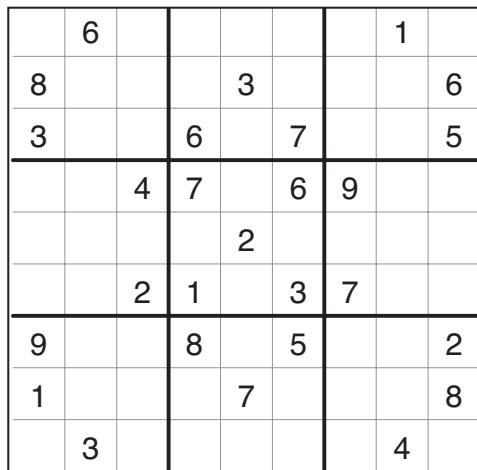
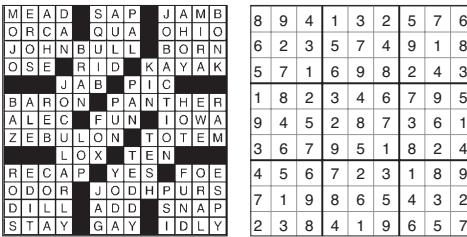
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SudokuFor more/less challenging Sudoku puzzles, visit metronews.ca

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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It's highly unlikely that you will be able to compromise so go your own way and do your own thing. You don't need other people to hold your hand.

TAURUS**APRIL 21-MAY 21**

You've got to make changes and you've got to make them now. With Pluto strong in your chart you won't find it hard to be ruthless.

LIBRA**SEPT 23-OCT 23**

Changes on the career front will work in your favor over the next few days, so be ready to move when the opportunity arises.

SCORPIO**OCT 24-NOV 22**

Difficult aspects to Mars over the next few days warn you would be wise not to push your luck, especially when dealing with authority figures.

GEMINI**MAY 22-JUNE 21**

You want to do something dramatic but what are your motives? Is there something specific you wish to achieve or do you just want to make a noise?

SAGITTARIUS**NOV 23-DEC 21**

You may have to reveal something about yourself that you were hoping to keep secret but it would have come out sooner or later.

CANCER**JUNE 22-JULY 22**

If someone you love gives you a hard time about something today don't take it personally. Most likely they are going through a phase.

CAPRICORN**DEC 22-JAN 20**

There is so much determination and intensity about you at the moment that no obstacle can stop you from reaching your goal.

LEO**JULY 23-AUG 23**

You would be wise not to force others to make changes that may not suit their needs. A more moderate course will work better for everyone.

AQUARIUS**JAN 21-FEB 18**

Keep reminding yourself that you have nothing to prove. Keep reminding yourself that who you are is who you are meant to be.

VIRGO**AUG 24-SEPT 22**

Do you follow your instincts and put yourself at odds with majority opinion? Be true to what you believe. Otherwise, why believe anything?

PISCES**FEB 19-MARCH 20**

There may be a thousand and one things that need doing but don't try to do them all on your own. Get help.

This day in history

1205: Philip of Swabia becomes King of the Romans.
1540: King Henry VIII of England marries Anne of Cleves.
1893: The Washington National Cathedral is chartered by Congress. The charter is signed by President Benjamin Harrison.
1929: Mother Teresa arrives in Calcutta to begin her work amongst India's poorest and diseased people.
1941: President Franklin Delano Roosevelt delivers his Four Freedoms Speech in the State of the Union Address.
1994: Nancy Kerrigan is clubbed in the knee at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit.

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entertainment 19**Take Five****Metro Recipe of the Day****Egg and Bacon Spaghetti****INGREDIENTS:**

14 oz (400 g) spaghetti
3 1/2 oz (100 g) frozen peas
3 1/2 oz (100 g) bacon strips, cut into 1/2-in. (1 cm) pieces
6 scallions, sliced
1/2 cup (125 mL) grated Parmesan cheese
4 eggs
6 3/4 tbsp (100 mL) ricotta cheese

leaving about 1 tsp (5 mL). Add scallions and cook gently until just soft.

- Put Parmesan cheese into bowl with eggs and ricotta cheese. Season with ground black pepper and beat with fork.
- Drain spaghetti and peas; return to hot, empty pot with bacon and scallions. Off heat, add egg mixture and toss thoroughly; eggs will thicken in residual heat for creamy sauce. Turn into serving bowl and serve.

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